

REGULAR MEETING
ERLANGER CITY COUNCIL
December 6, 2022

Mayor Jessica Fette called the regular meeting of the Erlanger City Council to order in the City of Erlanger Council Chambers at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, December 6, 2022.

Brian Nevins, Erlanger Police Chaplain, gave the invocation.

Members of City Council and citizens pledged allegiance to the flag.

The following Members of City Council were present: Tom Cahill, Steven Doan, Ryan Nicole Elmore, Tyson Hermes, Jennifer Jasper-Lucas, Gary Meyer, Diana Niceley, Rebecca Reckers, Don Skidmore, and Renee Skidmore. Council Members Stephen Knipper and Vicki Kyle were not present.

Also present were: Mayor Jessica Fette, Chief of Police Kyle Rader, City Administrator Bill Wulfeck, City Clerk Sherry Hoffman, Director of Economic Development/ACAO Emi Randall, Director of Finance Kara Kramer, Public Works Director Peter Glenn, Fire/EMS Chief Randy Godsey, City Engineer Jim Viox, and City Attorney Jack Gatlin.

MEETING MINUTES – M/S, Reckers-Niceley, that the minutes of the regular council meeting held on November 1, 2022 be approved as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - M/S, Reckers-Elmore, that the agenda be approved as presented. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – Bob Swinford, owner of Swinford Jewelers, spoke about the history of the company and their services.

John Chamberlin with Chamberlin Owen and Co, Inc. presented the Fiscal Year 2022 Audit report.

CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENTS - The following addressed Mayor and City Council:

- Mary Beth Flaherty - Problems caused by continued Cherry Hill semi-truck issues
- Deborah Wesley - Problems caused by continued Cherry Hill semi-truck issues

MAYOR'S REPORT - Mayor Fette reported on the following:

- Requested the cancellation of the December Caucus Meeting. M/S, Reckers-Niceley, to cancel the December 20, 2022 Caucus Meeting. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.
- Thanked the following out-going City Council Members for their service: Gary Meyer, Steve Doan, Steve Knipper, and Ryan Nicole Elmore.
- Congratulated new Council Member Renee Wilson on her appointment.
- Congratulated Steve Doan on his appointment as the new 69th District Kentucky State Representative

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - Mr. Wulfeck reported on the following:

- City office holiday closures

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - Mr. Gatlin reported on the following

- Requested an addition to the agenda - A resolution for Kentucky Deferred Comp, allowing the Mayor to sign the new Joinder Agreement. M/S, Reckers-Niceley, to add the resolution to the agenda. Copies were provided to City Council Members upon the request of Mr. Meyer. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

REPORT ON CAPITAL PROJECTS - Director Glenn reported on the following:

- Park Projects
 - ➔ Cahill Commons - Finishing plan with bidding of project scheduled for Spring, 2023
- Concrete Projects
 - ➔ Redbud and Fir Tree projects - Completed for the season, completion in Spring, 2023
 - ➔ Kappa and Sigma projects - Completed for the season, completion in Spring, 2023
- Other Projects
 - ➔ Railroad Underpass Painting Project - Working to obtain a right of way entry permit
 - ➔ Leaf Collection - Completing the 2022 program

Additional Department Reports - Ms. Hoffman reported on the following:

- Friendship Garden Recognition - Former employee Tim Beetem was recognized for his many accomplishments and long service to the City
- Holiday Light Recycling Program

Director Randall reported on the following:

- Circleport Industrial Revenue Bonds - Corporex requested that the reading of the legislation be tabled for further discussion; M/S, Hermes-Cahill, to table the reading of the municipal order. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.
- Erlanger Small Business Grant - Grants were awarded to Garzelli's Pub and Pizza and Strike & Spare Family Fun Center
- Erlanger Demolition Grant - A request was received from and awarded to 4120 and 4122 Dixie Highway

REPORTS OF TASK FORCES

- Kenton County Alliance - Ms. Skidmore reported that she attended the Alliance meeting where they summarized activities from throughout the year.

BIDS - Crescent Avenue Concrete Project:

- Five bids were received
- Project was awarded to the lowest bidder, TMS Construction for \$141,185.00

Surplus Property:

- Four vehicles were placed on Govdeals.com for auction:
 - ➔ 2011 Nitro #6936 sold for \$4150.00
 - ➔ 2011 Nitro #6937 sold for \$4650.00
 - ➔ 2011 Charger sale was pending
 - ➔ 2012 Charger sale was declined by the bidder

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - Councilman Hermes requested a caucus meeting in January 2023 to discuss the capital fund and to provide rules and conditions for the fund.

Councilwoman Jasper-Lucas confirmed that the Flagship Park ordinance was to be discussed at the January caucus meeting.

LEGISLATION - Mr. Gatlin read the second reading of Ordinance No. 2553 determining the standards for noise pollution and assessing penalties and fines. M/S, Jasper Lucas-Reckers, to adopt the ordinance as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Gatlin read Municipal Order No. 12-06-22-01 approving the appointment of Bob Whelan as a member of the Board of Adjustment for the City of Erlanger. M/S, Reckers-Jasper Lucas, to adopt the municipal order as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Gatlin read Municipal Order No. 12-06-22-02 approving the reappointment of Irene Michie and Mike Stubblefield as members of the Code Enforcement Board for the City of Erlanger. M/S, Elmore-Niceley, to adopt the municipal order as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Gatlin read Municipal Order No. 12-06-22-03 approving the reappointment of Mayor Jessica Fette as the representative of the City to the Ohio Kentucky Indiana (OKI) Regional Council of Governments effective January 1, 2023. M/S, Doan-Niceley, to adopt the municipal order as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Gatlin read Municipal Order No. 12-06-22-04 approving the reappointment of Mayor Jessica Fette as the representative of the City to the Northern Kentucky Planning and Development Services (PDS) and the reappointment of Council Member Tyson Hermes as the alternate effective January 1, 2023. M/S, Elmore-Niceley, to adopt the municipal order as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Gatlin read Resolution No. 12-06-22-01 abolishing the Local Appeals Board and transferring those services to the Kenton County Joint Building Appeals Board. M/S, Reckers-Jasper Lucas, to adopt the resolution as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Gatlin read Resolution No. 12-06-22-02 adopting the Joinder agreement with Kentucky Deferred Comp (KDC) and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Joinder agreement which authorizes the KDC to administer the Kentucky Employees' 457, 401(K), and IRA Plans on behalf of the City. M/S, Reckers-Niceley, to adopt the resolution as written. Discussion followed. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT - M/S, Reckers-Niceley, to adjourn from the regular meeting at 8:16 p.m. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

ATTEST:

Sherry Hoffman
City Clerk

APPROVED:

Jessica Fette
Mayor